



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Ohio State University Master of Respiratory Therapy (MRT) is the first advanced practice clinical master's degree for respiratory care in the nation. The MRT is designed to prepare advanced respiratory care practitioners as clinical specialists in a variety of settings. Graduates of the MRT program will be prepared to successfully obtain advanced practice credentials to position themselves for independent supervised practice positions with more responsibility. The MRT will allow for an expanded scope of practice and additional professional growth opportunities that are currently not available in respiratory therapy.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- 1 GPA:** A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. The GPA will be computed using ALL grades earned from ALL institutions attended, and only applicants with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher at the time of application will be evaluated for possible admission.
- 2 RT in Good Standing:** Applicants must be a Registered Respiratory Therapist in good standing as evidenced by NBRC official credential verification letter (see Application Materials).
- 3 COARC Accredited Degree:** Graduate of a Bachelor of Science or MS degree from a CoARC accredited entry-level RT program, or a CoARC accredited degree advanced placement program in Respiratory Care; to determine if an applicant's program is CoARC accredited, please visit <https://coarc.com>.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Thursday, October 1st, 2020

2020-2021 application opens

Tuesday, December 1st, 2020

Priority deadline if applying for a fellowship

Monday, March 1st, 2021

Application submission deadline

APPLICATION PROCESS

Application: Applicants must first apply through OSU's Graduate and Professional Admissions [website](#).

Review: The RT Division will review applications from November to March.

Interview: Interviews will be held for competitive applicants from mid-February to mid-March.

Admission Decisions: Decisions will be made end of March through beginning of April.

APPLICATION MATERIALS

Transcripts: All transcripts from all coursework an applicant has completed must be submitted.

CV/Resume: Applicants must submit a resume that includes evidence of at least 1 year of experience in their desired clinical specialty; *adult critical/emergent care, pediatric critical care, neonatal critical care, pediatrics, primary respiratory care, neuromuscular care, or sleep disorders.*

Personal Statement: All applicants are required to submit a personal statement that shows they have an established and direct career pathway and have chosen a desired clinical specialty. The statement should explain why they have decided to pursue a career as an MRT, as well as how an MRT degree relates to the applicant's immediate and long-term professional goals, and describe how their personal, educational, and professional background will help them to achieve their career goals.

Reference Evaluations: All applicants are required to submit contact information for three references who can provide personal and/or professional evaluations. The applicant must include:

- *One (1) licensed and practicing physician whom the applicant has spent time clinically in the applicant's desired clinical specialty*
- *One (1) professor or instructor in the applicant's undergraduate course of study; if applicant cannot obtain a reference in this category, a 2nd licensed and practicing physician that meets criteria above can serve as this reference*
- *One (1) current or former employer*

NBRC Verification Letter: All applicants must submit an official NBRC Verification Letter attesting that the applicant is a Registered Respiratory Therapist. Applicants can visit the [NBRC website](#) to download a letter template, save the letter as a PDF, and upload it to their application. If an applicant does not have an OH license, they will receive assistance from the program in obtaining an OH license before they can begin clinicals.

Master of Respiratory Therapy

The School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences
MRT Advanced Practice Program



THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

YEAR 1

Autumn	Hrs	Spring	Hrs	Summer	Hrs
HTHRSC 7900 Evidence-Based Practice I	1	HTHRHSC 7910 Evidence Based-Practice II	1	RESPTHR 7800 Adv. Prac. in RT	3
NURSING 7450 Pathophysiology	5	NURSING 7410 Advanced Health Assess.	3	RESPTHR 8189 Adv. Clin. Prc. I	4
RESPTHR 7700 Ethical Issues in AP	2	NURSING 7470 Advanced Pharmacology	4	RESPTHR 7895 Current Dev. I	2
RESPTHR 7895 Seminar	1	RESPTHR 7895 Seminar II	1		9
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YEAR 2

Autumn	Hrs	Spring	Hrs
RESPTHR 7800 Adv. Prac. In RT	3	RESPTHR 7895 Seminar: Prof. Prac. Issues	2
RESPTHR 7895 Current Dev. II	1	RESPTHR 8389 Adv. Clin. Prc. III	7
RESPTHR 8289 Adv. Clin. Prc. II	7		9
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SUGGESTED SCHEDULING PLAN

The above plan demonstrates how students may complete the Master of Respiratory Therapy Advanced Practice program in 4 semesters plus a summer term. The semester and year in which some non-clinical courses are taken can be adjusted to meet the individual needs of students. During the clinical phase, there is no provision for part-time or evening-only enrollment. The program includes a minimum of 1,000 hours of supervised practice by a licensed physician (or Registered Respiratory Care Practitioner).

Questions?

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